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SUBJECT: 99TH EXECUTIVE BOARD DOCUMENT 99 EX/10 - UNITED  
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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT, PER TELECON, OF USDEL'S INTERVEN-  
TION ON EXBD AGENDA ITEM 5.2.2, UN UNIVERSITY (UNU):  
QUOTE WE WISH TO COMMEND THE RECTOR OF THE UNITED  
NATIONS UNIVERSITY AND THE DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR THEIR  
EXCELLENT AND INFORMATIVE REPORTS. WE ARE GENERALLY  
PLEASED WITH THE PROGRESS WHICH IS BEING MADE AT UNU  
UNDER THE DIRECTION OF DR. JAMES HESTER AND HIS ABLE  
VICE-RECTORS. AS WE STATED AT THE 98TH SESSION OF THE  
EXECUTIVE BOARD, WE ARE IN AGREEMENT THAT THE THREE  
PROGRAM PRIORITY AREAS SELECTED BY THE COUNCIL, NAMELY,  
(A) WORLD HUNGER, (B) MANAGEMENT, USE AND PROPER DISTRI-  
BUTION OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND (C) HUMAN AND SOCIAL  
DEVELOPMENT, ARE APPROPRIATE AND TIMELY PROBLEMS TO  
WHICH THE UNU CAN APPLY ITS ENDEAVORS. WE AGREE WITH  
THE DIRECTOR GENERAL'S RECOMMENDATIONS IN PARAGRAPH 45  
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OF DOCUMENT 99 EX/10 "THAT THE UNIVERSITY SHOULD AC-

CELERATE THE LAUNCHING OF PRECISE ACTIVITIES OF RESEARCH AND TRAINING WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE PROGRAM PRIORITY AREAS IDENTIFIED BY THE UNIVERSITY COUNCIL". IT IS THROUGH SUCH CONCRETE ACTIONS THAT THE UNU WILL BEGIN TO MAKE ITS POSITIVE IMPACT FELT ON THE ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH COMMUNITIES IN MEMBER STATES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO SEE THE EXTENT OF COOPERATION WHICH THE DIRECTOR GENERAL AND MEMBERS OF THE SECRETARIAT ARE PROVIDING TO THE RECTOR AND HIS STAFF. OF PARTICULAR NOTE IS THE CAUTION BEING DISPLAYED BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL TO ASSURE THAT UNESCO IS IN NO WAY INTERFERING WITH THE AUTONOMY OF THE UNU' THE AUTONOMY OF THE UNU IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL IF, IN ITS EVOLUTIONARY PROCESS, IT IS TO FIND ITS IDENTITY AND RAISON D'ETRE.

IN CONCLUSION, LET ME SAY THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO BE FULLY SUPPORTIVE OF THE UNU. OUR SECRETARY OF STATE MET WITH DR. HESTER LAST JANUARY IN WASHINGTON AND HAS STATED IN A LETTER TO SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM THAT HE BELIEVES UNU "MERITS OUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT". WE REMAIN HOPEFUL THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION IN THE NEAR FUTURE. END QUOTE  
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